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SUBJECT: ICAO EUROPEAN/NORTH AMERICAN/NORTH ATLANTIC
REGIONAL PLANNING GROUP (ASPENN)

REF: AN-WP/4613

1. US COMMISSIONER SHOULD OPPOSE THE SECRETARIAT PROPOSAL
CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 4, OF SUBJECT WORKING PAPER RECOG-
NIZING THAT SUB-ITEMS B), C) AND D) ARE PREDICATED ON ANC
APPROVAL OF SUB-ITEM A) (MODIFICATION OF ADISP TERMS OF
REFERENCE.)

2. ALTHOUGH ASSIGNMENT TO ADISP OR NEAR-TERM IMPROVEMENTS
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TO THE AERONAUTICAL FIXED SERVICES (AFS) (ASPENN/3
REC. 7) WOULD BE AN EXPEDIENT MEANS OF EARLY ATTENTION
TO AFTN DEFICIENCIES, IT IS NOT CONSIDERD THE BEST
LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO THE MANY INADEQUACIES IN ALL
ELEMENTS OF THE AFS. LACKING FROM THE ASPENN/3 REPORT,
AND ITS REC. 7, ARE MANY CONSIDERATIONS DOCUMENTED IN
THE USA-SUBMITTED ASPENN/3-WP/15 FROM WHICH REC. 7 WAS

DEVELOPED: SIGNIFICANT OMISSIONS COMPRISE SUB-TERMS
ITEMS (7), (8) D) AND E), (9), (10) AND (11) OF PARAGRAPH
3.2. ALSO LACKING FROM THE REPORT ARE THE DETAILS OF
DISCUSSIONS WHICH LED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF REC. 7

WHICH CONCLUDED THAT SUCH SUBJECT MATTER IS EXCLUDED
FROM ASPENN'S TERMS OF REFERENCE, AND THAT ITS MEMBER-
SHIP IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DEAL WITH SAME. THE TERMS OF
REFERENCE MATTER BECAME A CONTROVERSY OF INTERPRETATION
(WITH "INTENT" SUPERSEDING "WORDING"). THE SIGNIFICANCE
OF THE CONCLUSION RELATIVE TO INADEQUATE QUALIFICATIONS
RESTS IN THAT MUCH OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASPEN
RPG IS COMMON TO THAT OF THE ADISP; THIS THEN WOULD
LOGICALLY CONCLUDE THAT THE ADISP IS SIMILARLY UNQUALIFIED
CONTRARY TO THE SECRETARIAT INDICATIONS. THIS IS
ESPECIALLY VALID CONCERNING SUB-ITEM (11) OF PARAGRAPH
3.2 OF ASPENN/3-WP/15 CONCERNING THE ATS DIRECT SPEECH
ENVIRONMENT, WHICH IS NOT TODAY A DATA COMMUNICATIONS
FIELD. REGIONAL AIR NAVIGATION MEETINGS SINCE ASPENN/3
(LIM NAT AND CAR/SAM) BOTH DEVELOPED RECOMMENDATIONS
DIRECTED TO NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS AND ECONOMICS IN THE
AREA OF ATS DIRECT SPEECH CAPABILITY. ADDITIONAL
MANIFESTATIONS OF QUESTIONABLE QUALIFICATION ADISP
MEMBERSHIP IN THE AREAS OF CONCERN WERE DEMONSTRATED AT
ADISP/5 AND /6 DURING DISCUSSIONS ON DEVELOPMENT OF
SARPS AND GUIDANCE MATERIAL FOR THE AFTN INTERFACE, AND
CHARACTER ORIENTED LINK CONTROL PROCEDURES.

3. ACCORDINGLY, WE BELIEVE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW
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PANEL (AFS IMPROVEMENT PANEL - AFSIP B), ALONG THE
LINES OF AN-WP/4613 PARAGRAPH 3.2 ALTERNATIVE C), TO BE
IN THE BEST LONG-TERM INTEREST OF ORGANIZED PROGRESS
AND EFFICIENCY AFFECTING THE SEVERAL CONSIDERATIONS
CONCERNED. INDEED, MANY OF THE EFFORTS NOW IN PROGRESS
IN THE 10 ICAO BODIES ENUMERATED IN APPENDIX B OF
AN-WP/4613 APPEAR CONDUCIVE TO CONSOLIDATION TO MINIMIZE
OVERLAPPING EFFORTS, AND IN THE INTEREST OF PROVIDING
MORE COMMON DIRECTION AND BETTER ORDERING OF PRIORITIES.

4. THE BETTER PART OF A YEAR HAS TRANSPIRED SINCE
ASPENN/3 WITHOUT CONCLUSIVE ACTION ON ITS REC. 7.
ADISP/7 IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY/JUNE 1977, WITH ITS AGENDA
ALREADY DETERMINED AND ITS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE ELEMENTS
OF ASPENN/3 REC. 7 (AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS OF THE AFS
OMITTED FORM REC. 7), SO THAT NO MEANINGFUL PROGRESS BY
THE ADISP CONCERNING THESE MATTERS COULD BE EXPECTED
UNTIL 1978 AT THE EARLIEST. SURELY BY THIS TIME (2
YEARS POST ASPENN/3), THE ANC COULD ESTABLISH A SEPARATE

PANEL, AS SUGGESTED ABOVE. IF THE MATTER OF EXPEDIENCY TRANSCENDS THAT OF LONGER TERM CONSIDERATIONS, WE WOULD SUGGEST A TEMPORARY EXPANSION OF ADISP TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THIS BODY TO GET STARTED TO WORK ON THE CONCERNED SUBJECT MATTER, PENDING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW (OR REPLACEMENT) PANEL, WITH MORE SPECIFIC WORDING THAN THE

AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY THE SECRETARIAT, IN ORDER TO PRECLUDE INTERPRETATION PROBLEMS.

5. WITH REFERENCE TO THE OTHER SUGGESTED AMENDMENT TO THE ADISP TERMS OF REFERENCE, WE DO NOT AGREE WITH THE DELETION OF SUB-TERM B) CONCERNING AIR-GROUND DATA LINK, IF THE ADISP IS TO CONTINUE. WE DO AGREE THAT THIS SUBJECT MATTER SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM ADISP'S CURRENT WORK PROGRAM AND HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL IT BECOMES MORE MATURE AS A RESULT OF ACTIVITIES IN OTHER UNCLASSIFIED

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